REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed June 16, 2003, the pending claims were rejected. Applicant responded to this Office Action in an Amendment submitted December 15, 2003.

On January 12, 2004, a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was issued. The Notice requested Applicant to provide a complete listing of all claims including the proper status identifiers.

Set forth above is a complete listing of all claims including the proper status identifiers. Please note that because the merits of claim 36 were addressed in Applicant's December 15 Amendment, the status of claim 36 has been changed from "canceled" to "withdrawn." The amendments set forth above are the same amendments set forth in Applicant's December 15 Amendment.

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Applicant respectfully submits that the present response fully complies with the January 12 Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. For all of the reasons set forth in Applicant's December 15 Amendment (which are hereby incorporated by reference), Applicant believes that the present application is in condition for allowance. Prompt and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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